



Antero Reservoir, located on the south fork of the South Platte River, in Colorado's South Park, was drained during the summer of 2002 and its water sent downstream to Cheesman Reservoir. The reservoir was drained to consolidate water supplies in Cheesman and reduce evaporation losses that were occurring at Antero as well as to help settle the sediment loading resulting from the runoff from the Hayman fire.

Denver Water's Eric Hibbs, center, Antero caretaker, assisted Colorado Division of Wildlife officers in the rescue of Antero's fish population. Trout that did not go downstream with the stream flow were netted and transplanted in Eleven Mile Canyon Reservoir. More than 10,000 trout were taken by net by wildlife officers.